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The Honorable Arthur LaRose Secretary-Treasurer Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe 190 Sailstar Drive NW Cass Lake, MN 56633

Dear Mr. Arthur LaRose:

Thank you, again, for testifying before the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States on H.R. 733 on June 5th, 2019. As a follow-up to your testimony, please find enclosed additional questions submitted by members of the Committee for inclusion in the final hearing record. Please provide your written responses to: Naomi Miguel, Subcommittee Professional Staff, **no later than June 19, 2019.** Committee Rule 3(o) requiring responses within 10 business days of the last day of the hearing.

We appreciate your time and insight, and we remain grateful for your contribution to the Committee's work. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Ruben Gallego

Chairman

Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the U.S.

Questions from Representative Bishop

1. In your written statement, you say the land will continue to be open to the public for hunting, fishing and other recreation. To clarify this statement, does the tribe intend to keep the land under consideration in H.R. 733, open for these uses in perpetuity? Does the tribe also intend for this to extend to other public utilities?